



Walk to School Day
Juneau, Alaska
October 2000

**A Summary of Activities and
a Report of the Findings
from Walking Checklists**

Walk to School Day is dedicated to walking to school with a purpose – to promote physical activity, safety, health, and concern for the environment. Walk to School Day is a growing national and international event. Juneau held its inaugural Walk to School Day activity during October 2000.



Riverbend students crossing Riverside Drive with parents and Officer Kim Martin

I. The Mission of Walk to School Day:

| Health | Safety | Walkability |
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| How easy and enjoyable it is for adults and children to spend healthy, active time together doing the world's simplest exercise – walking. | The importance of teaching children safe walking behaviors: how to cross streets, how to select safe routes to school, and wearing reflective clothing. | Critique the steps taken by a child to help create more walkable communities: advocating for crosswalks, sidewalks, crossing guards, and better driver behavior. |

II. Pedestrian Safety in Action this year in Juneau:

- Officer Kim Martin, Juneau Police Department, led a group of officers into each elementary school (K-3) during October to teach and reinforce pedestrian safety.
- The “Walk” event was held on October 25 at Gastineau, Charter, Riverbend, Glacier Valley, Mendenhall River, and Auke Bay. The weather on this day was extremely foggy, highlighting the need for safe routes to school and reflective clothing.
- The event was held at Harborview on October 24 and November 7 to coincide with a parent/child activity sponsored by the school, Donuts for Dads and Muffins for Moms.
- Reflective bands were given to schools for distribution to students to encourage the “be safe, be seen” message.
- Juneau Police Department officers monitored busy intersections on the Walk Day and met children and parents.
- Parents were encouraged to complete a walking checklist as they walked with their child to school. 317 checklists were completed during the event. A copy of the Checklist form used during the walk appears at the end of this report.

III. Walking Checklists – Parents Were Asked To:

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| ➤ Rate their concerns for eight pedestrian issues | ➤ Identify streets and intersections of particular concern | ➤ Comment on pedestrian issues at their school |
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IV. Findings – All Schools

Parents were asked to rate their concerns on a scale from “not” concerned to “extremely” concerned on eight pedestrian issues (all eight are listed in the summary table below). Based upon the percentage of parents who marked “very” or “extremely” concerned for an issue, the following rank order was established for all schools.

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| Number 1 Concern | α | Sidewalks cleared of snow and ice |
| Number 2 | α | Traffic too fast, reckless |
| Number 3 | α | Sidewalks inadequate or not present |

V. District Summary By School:

Participation figures and the rank order of pedestrian issues by school is depicted by this table.

| | Auke Bay | Charter | Gastineau | Glacier Valley | Harborview | Mendenhall River | Riverbend | All Schools Combined |
|---|----------|---------|-----------|----------------|------------|------------------|-----------|----------------------|
| Parents who completed a Walking checklist | 61 | 2 | 57 | 57 | 61 | 44 | 35 | 317 |
| Children of those parents | 80 | 3 | 83 | 92 | 77 | 64 | 49 | 448 |

PEDESTRIAN ISSUE:

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| 1. Sidewalks cleared of snow and ice | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 |
| 2. Traffic too fast, reckless | 2 | 1 | | 3 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 |
| 3. Sidewalks inadequate or not present | 1 | | 2 | | | 2 | | 3 |
| 4. Shelter or safe waiting area at bus stop | | | 3 | | | 1 | | 4 |
| 5. Adequate lighting of streets or bus stop | 3 | | | 2 | 3 | | 3 | 5 |
| 6. Had to walk within splash area of traffic | | 1 | | | | | | 6 |
| 7. Wild or domestic animals a threat | | | | | | | | 7 |
| 8. Crime (gangs, bullying) | | | | | | | | 8 |

A copy of the Checklist form used during the walk appears at the end of this report.

VI. Reported Results By School:

Responses made by parents on the Walking Checklists are compiled for each school in this report.

- Ranking the eight pedestrian issues by school
- The streets and intersections most often noted by parents
- Written comments from parents

VII. Thanks

Thanks for all the parents and children who participated in the event. Enjoy your daily walk to school.



Auke Bay



Parents completing checklists for the Walk Event:

61

Children of the parents who completed checklists:

80

Greatest Concerns – those marking “Very” or “Extremely” Concerned

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| 1. <u>Sidewalks</u> inadequate or not present | 49.2% |
| 2. <u>Traffic too fast</u> , reckless | 31.1% |
| 3. Adequate <u>lighting</u> of streets or bus stop | 25.0% |
| 4. <u>Shelter</u> or safe waiting area at bus stop | 22.1% |
| 5. Had to walk within <u>splash</u> area of traffic | 21.1% |
| 6. Sidewalks cleared of <u>snow and ice</u> | 19.6% |
| 7. Wild or domestic <u>animals</u> a threat | 15.5% |
| 8. <u>Crime</u> (gangs, bullying) | 5.6% |

Streets or Intersections – specific locations of concern for Auke Bay parents:

1. Backloop Road
2. Glacier Highway
3. Crossing Glacier Hwy into the school
4. Fritz Cove Road and the intersection with Glacier
5. DeHart’s intersection (Loop Rd and Glacier)

Parental Comments on pedestrian issues and the Walk to School Event:

"Needs immediate attention. Auke Bay area is dangerous for walking because traffic has increased greatly in last several years. Please respond. Thanks. 1) lower speed limit around Deharts curve. 2) crosswalk between Deharts and school"

"I have been working with DOT via David H. Appreciate his time. Sounds like nothing will be done to slow traffic on the highway. Please continue to look out for children walking to school"

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| "Speeding cars create safety hazards for walkers and bus riders" | "Auke Bay needs a sidewalk leading to the school" |
| "Our home is pretty much too far away from the school to walk everyday" | "You should put more lights on streets and lakes near roads" |
| "More houses, more children, more cars, more construction vehicles, road in poor condition, vehicles are going too fast" | "It was a lot of fun and we saw an eagle 20 feet away eating a fish at Lake Creek." |
| "Thanks for the opportunity to survey, hope this helps improve street safety" | "There are no sidewalks in this neighborhood. The kids are in the street because they have no choice. We live 5 min. from the school but the route changed this year making my 7-yr. old ride home 40-min. long. This is too long! So I just pack up my other two kids and we go get her" |
| "The walk to our bus stop is fine- I have no concerns there. It would be nice to have a separate bike path on the Back Loop road" | "If there is a heavy snow fall-the sidewalks along Egan Drive do not get plowed for weeks. The kids then have to walk in the highway. Also, there is no sidewalk from Egan HWY onto school grounds. The drive way is narrow & filled with big busses and cars" |
| No crosswalk from F. Cove to sidewalk on other side. Cars move too fast in Dehart and Back loop area. | "The bus ride to and from school gets pretty noisy. My child comes home with a headache sometimes. Kids seem to be out of control, something needs to be done. |
| "We live on a small back road so traffic speed and "industrial" additions a shelters and sidewalks aren't necessary. Biggest concern is visibility, especially at daylight savings time end up October. | "Need more crosswalks going from Back Loop towards Deharts and Back Loop towards Auke Bay School" |

End of comments from Auke Bay parents

Gastineau



57 Parents completing checklists for the Walk Event:

83 Children of the parents who completed checklists:

Greatest Concerns – those marking “Very” or “Extremely” Concerned

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| 1. Sidewalks cleared of <u>snow and ice</u> | 43.6% |
| 2. <u>Sidewalks</u> inadequate or not present | 38.4% |
| 3. <u>Shelter</u> or safe waiting area at bus stop | 27.9% |
| 4. Had to walk within <u>splash</u> area of traffic | 26.9% |
| 5. Wild or domestic <u>animals</u> a threat | 25.5% |
| 6. Adequate <u>lighting</u> of streets or bus stop | 25.4% |
| 7. <u>Traffic too fast</u> , reckless | 25.0% |
| 8. <u>Crime</u> (gangs, bullying) | 14.0% |

Streets or Intersections – specific locations of concern for Gastineau parents:

1. 3rd Street, Douglas
2. Douglas Highway
3. North Douglas Highway & Bonnie Doon Drive
4. North Douglas Highway & Ninemile Creek Road
5. 5th Street, Douglas

Parental Comments on pedestrian issues and the Walk to School Event:

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| "It would be nice to have a second crosswalk at the North end of Gastineau school so kids coming from that direction (north) don't have to walk as far to the current crosswalk, but can still cross the highway safely" | "Appropriate street lighting is essential at this intersection to protect children crossing and drivers coming around the southbound curve to pedestrian presence" |
| "I'm worried now that it is getting darker" | "During certain times of the year bears live" |

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| | across from our house, children at bus stop fight a lot" |
| "A good idea might be to have a crossing guard present until 9 am. The bus stop at David street concerns me. The children wait at the stop sign. I've seen children goofing around and almost get hit" | "When the snow comes, sidewalks are often not clear and kids may have to walk on the highway-very dangerous" |
| "Focus on second street, cars go too fast" | "Megan goes to school before crossing guard is on duty. I walk her to/from school everyday" |
| "Child used to walk to and from school- peer group like riding bus and I don't want my child walking alone" | "Though it is light when Matthew walks to and from school at this age- reflective tape is on my list to purchase after being made aware of prospective danger without it" |
| "Once the hill becomes icy, the children are in danger from sliding cars" | "Bus stop is in front of our house" |
| "School should be open by at least 8:30 to let kids in- especially when its cold or rainy-which is almost always. If a child wants to spend extra time at school, turning them away, sets a very bad example" | "Did not walk, its 5 miles to school. No side walks on N. Douglas Hwy" |
| "Need to add reflective to jackets" | "Its too far for the children to walk alone to school. Bears, loose dogs, strangers standing and watching kids" |
| "Walked from Douglas PO to Gastineau-very nice" | "Something has to be done about the traffic. Especially when it is a school zone. The speed limit sign needs to be moved down further. Some days I cant even cross the street" |
| "We did not walk full way, but did a partial walk so child could participate. Normally child is drop and picked up by a family member" | "The cross walk before school is always safe, thanks to the school providing a monitor! Thanks Gastineau for that" |

End of comments from Gastineau parents

Glacier Valley



57 Parents completing checklists for the Walk Event:

92 Children of the parents who completed checklists:

Greatest Concerns – those marking “Very” or “Extremely” Concerned

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| 1. Sidewalks cleared of <u>snow and ice</u> | 46.3% |
| 2. Adequate <u>lighting</u> of streets or bus stop | 39.1% |
| 3. <u>Traffic too fast</u> , reckless | 38.5% |
| 4. <u>Shelter</u> or safe waiting area at bus stop | 37.2% |
| 5. Had to walk within <u>splash</u> area of traffic | 27.6% |
| 6. <u>Sidewalks</u> inadequate or not present | 27.1% |
| 7. Wild or domestic <u>animals</u> a threat | 19.2% |
| 8. <u>Crime</u> (gangs, bullying) | 18.0% |

Streets or Intersections – specific locations of concern for Glacier Valley parents:

1. Valley Boulevard and Kiowa Drive
2. Valley Boulevard and Mendenhall Loop Road
3. Tongass Boulevard
4. Floyd Dryden
5. School parking lot – dropping off students

Parental Comments on pedestrian issues and the Walk to School Event:

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| "Now that the traffic is routed in the parking lot, the kids are coming out from between parked cars and into the area where cars are driving in the parking lot" | "It concerns me about traffic I watch parents go the low speed limit until they drop off their child, then the speed limit is forgotten, I observe this every time I walk my son to school" |
| "the new intersection at SRMD & Loop road- | "Thanks for your concern" |

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| dangerous for crossing the loop" | |
| "The new parking/drop off is much more confusing. There are kids and cars all over the parking lot. Too much backing up of vehicles where children are walking. Cars sit two across- making for angry drivers" | "Valley Blvd. Is a very busy street with lots of traffic and pedestrians, children must walk a long way from home to get to a dangerous bus stop (Valley and Kiowa)" |
| "I think buses should run year round no matter how far away your house is from the school shelter provided!" | "Question # 6 brought to my attention the lack of reflective clothing which will become necessary as the days get shorter. Thank you" |
| "Concern about dogs unleashed they follow and bark at children. I think people should not leave their dogs loose" | "The intersection and SRMD and loop road-dangerous for crossing the Loop rd." |
| "There are no sidewalks along Valley Blvd! This is a very busy street before and after school. Lots of children must walk along way to get to a dangerous bus stop at Valley & Kiowa" | "The traffic pattern in front of Glacier Valley school puts too much traffic at the intersection of Jennifer and Tongass. So far Traffic has been very careful and that intersection is not monitored. |
| "The walk from our house and to her babysitters is just right. No problems" | "Too much traffic turning onto Valley Blvd. And visibility is horrible and people are racing through pedestrians" |
| "Could there be away to institute an escort program w/ older kids?" | "This is a great opportunity for children of all ages to brush up on safety and also enjoy the wonderful outdoors" |
| "Street light for walking went too fast. We could not walk across the street. We had to cross along the side road." | "The parking lot is an accident waiting to happen! Cars sit side by side dropping off kids, which encourages passing (upset drivers). If you pull into a parking spot it is all most impossible to get back out. Someone is going to get hurt. Please do something!" |
| "After seeing the different ways to help my child, I will do so. Reflective markings on clothing etc..." | "Concern about dogs unleashed they follow children around. I think they should not let their dogs loose" |
| "It seems to be a long walk from the bus to home for a 5 year old. (Coho apt.) especially with no sidewalks" | "Parents dropping off their children in Glacier Valley. School's parking lot is a mess! Little tykes walk between parked cars and people are going around idling cars. |
| "Lots of cross traffic-commuters & folks in a rush to drop kids off at Floyd Dryden cross walk-20 mph zone neither followed nor enforced on Loop. 1) Lots of bears seen here this year 2) kids fooling around at bus stop going into traffic without looking" | "Many cars don't stop at sign or pull to far out into intersection. Also, many children blow through the stop sign on their bikes or walking or running without even looking for cars coming down Dudley St., which does not have a stop sign. Would recommend trimming back trees & growth so visibility is better-particularly on corner w/ house under construction" |

End of comments from Glacier Valley parents

Harborview



61 Parents completing checklists for the Walk Event:

77 Children of the parents who completed checklists:

Greatest Concerns – those parents marking “Very” or “Extremely” Concerned:

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| 1. Sidewalks cleared of <u>snow and ice</u> | 38.2% |
| 2. <u>Traffic too fast</u> , reckless | 36.8% |
| 3. Adequate <u>lighting</u> of streets or bus stop | 19.6% |
| 4. <u>Shelter</u> or safe waiting area at bus stop | 18.3% |
| 5. <u>Crime</u> (gangs, bullying) | 13.8% |
| 6. Wild or domestic <u>animals</u> a threat | 12.1% |
| 7. <u>Sidewalks</u> inadequate or not present | 10.2% |
| 8. Had to walk within <u>splash</u> area of traffic | 3.6% |

Streets or Intersections – specific locations of concern for Harborview parents:

1. 12th Street and Glacier Avenue
2. 12th Street and C Street
3. Intersections along Glacier Avenue
4. Calhoun Avenue
5. Craig Street

Parental Comments on pedestrian issues and the Walk to School Event:

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| "High schoolers speeding on Behrends Ave. (extremely concerned)" | "Thanks for the survey" |
| "12 th and Glacier-Drug dealers in area-- I've called police, but nothing seems to be done, please call 463-3563" | "Street behind gym should not be open to through traffic-commuters in a hurry use it to skirt 4 way stop. The buses parked on this street create a blind spot for speeding" |
| "the ice in the winter is extremely thick and" | "Daughter has very short walk to Harborview" |

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| unsanded on our street" | |
| "Thank you for organizing this" | "Good idea" |
| "Groups of HS kids continue to congregate by Ever Green Cemetery nearest Old Glacier Hwy. My child is very uncomfortable walking around/through them and their poor example" | "I live on Glacier Ave. and have seen a lot of cars speeding in the school zone". |
| "Bad location for school (No parking, no grass fields) p.s. they are children only once. Lets give them more play area" | "We live in a slow residential area one block from the bus stop. All I would like to see is a shelter from the rain and snow". |
| "Bears are a concern" | "Kids need covered protection from the weather at their bus stops" |
| "Would like an adult crossing guard @ 12 th and Old Glacier Hwy" | "Are concerning the child safety at school" |
| "Glacier Ave & 12th. east side of the intersections drivers are very careless at that intersection, do inadequate stops, don't yield adequately to pedestrians" | "My daughter walks down Troy to Spruce, then to Old Glacier she passes the Grave yard. That's where the older kids gather- that's my main concern". |
| "The neighborhood is generally safe. Some of the high school kids drive too fast/ wrecks and we had one minor incident of bullying by HS kids" | "School is well sidewalk & side within one block of building, could always use more drop off and pick-up parking area" |
| "It's nice other parents like myself take my child to the bus stop and there is always someone else is there when I don't make it. | "High school kids smoking and swearing at Fst and 11 th ." |

End of comments from Harborview parents

Mendenhall River



Parents completing checklists for the Walk Event:
44

Children of the parents who completed checklists:
64

Greatest Concerns – those marking “Very” or “Extremely” Concerned

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| 1. <u>Shelter</u> or safe waiting area at bus stop | 36.8% |
| 2. <u>Sidewalks</u> inadequate or not present | 35.7% |
| 3. <u>Traffic too fast</u> , reckless | 31.7% |
| 4. Adequate <u>lighting</u> of streets or bus stop | 30.9% |
| 5. Sidewalks cleared of <u>snow and ice</u> | 30.0% |
| 6. Had to walk within <u>splash</u> area of traffic | 23.8% |
| 7. <u>Crime</u> (gangs, bullying) | 11.9% |
| 8. Wild or domestic <u>animals</u> a threat | 9.3% |

Streets or Intersections – specific locations of concern for Mendenhall River parents:

1. Tournure Street
2. Columbia Boulevard and Taku Boulevard
3. Mendenhall Boulevard and Aspen Avenue
4. Tournure Street and Columbia Boulevard
5. Riverside Drive

Parental Comments on pedestrian issues and the Walk to School Event:

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| "The route to MRCS from Taku to Columbia down Tournure to the back entrance of MRCS is not safe for children to walk or rollerblade. There is no sidewalk or a wide enough road to accommodate cars and kids" | "I think Juneau has done a great job making sure our children are as safe as possible from changing route directions so kids don't cross busy streets to changing school start up times. GO JUNEAU!" |
| "In the spring and fall either her mother or | "Horrible walking conditions" |

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| father will walk home with her from rally" | |
| "We need more space between bus line and Reflector" | "Corner of Taku & Columbia needs an 4-way stop. The traffic goes too fast the sidewalks on Columbia" |
| "Move the speed enforcement on Julep" | "We walked to his bus stop which is not very far and there are sidewalks all the way" |
| "The change of schedule combined with the addition of the stop light have increased traffic on Stephen Richards and put the little kids at the bus stop during rush hour". | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. "During rush hour traffic, cars were going fast while crossing Mendenhall Blvd" 2. "Some parents stop on Mendenhall Blvd. To drop child off. Other cars dart around stopped cars. As a result of parked cars, my children can't see on coming (passing) cars. I would suggest <u>all</u> parents dropping their children off at bus stop, drive a route that all of them to drop off along Aspen ONLY!" 3. " My children also says, there is a lot of rough housing going on, throwing rocks, snowballs etc." |
| "School starts to early (needs to start around 8:30 or 9:00) too dark at 8:00" | "Due to parent employment, unable to participate. We live North of River with school authorization). Good program! Thank you" |
| "This was fun to do! Only concern was congestion of cars and buses near end of Columbia" | "There is a problem with cars not stopping to let children cross at crosswalk" |
| "People drive too fast on Riverside. We see a lot of people sliding in the winter and people passing" | "Columbia and Tournure and Sesame street- not enough room to walk on side, There are only 2 blocks w/ sidewalks between Aspen and the school. My daughter said it was a good walk, took 25 min." |
| "The bus routes need to be re-visited. Buses should not stop only on outside layers of streets, they should also go down interior and the stops don't make any sense. Thank you" | "Had fun should do more often" |
| "She does have one on her bike (reflector), but nowhere else" | "Columbia to Tournure to MRCS - needs sidewalks, lights, crosswalks" |

End of comments from Mendenhall River parents

Riverbend



Parents completing checklists for the Walk Event:
35

Children of the parents who completed checklists:
49

Greatest Concerns – those marking “Very” or “Extremely” Concerned

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| 1. Sidewalks cleared of <u>snow and ice</u> | 40.7% |
| 2. <u>Traffic too fast</u> , reckless | 37.2% |
| 3. <u>Shelter</u> or safe waiting area at bus stop | 30.3% |
| 4. Adequate <u>lighting</u> of streets or bus stop | 30.3% |
| 5. <u>Sidewalks</u> inadequate or not present | 23.5% |
| 6. <u>Crime</u> (gangs, bullying) | 22.9% |
| 7. Wild or domestic <u>animals</u> a threat | 22.9% |
| 8. Had to walk within <u>splash</u> area of traffic | 20.0% |

Streets or Intersections – specific locations of concern for Riverbend parents:

1. James Boulevard
2. Linda Street and James Boulevard
3. Riverside Drive
4. Long Run Drive and Riverside Drive
5. Killewich Drive and Sharon Street

Parental Comments on pedestrian issues and the Walk to School Event:

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| "All of the kids (about 5 or 6) who pick up the morning bus at Riverside and Long Run live on either Turn or Northland. It would be a lot safer if they could pick up the bus at Riverside & Northland to avoid walking along Riverside" | "In the winter time it is extremely difficult for cars to stop on Riverside for the crosswalk. Last year I witnessed numerous accidents or near accidents at River and James Blvd." |
| " I am very concerned about people not | "My kids really need reflective material, so |

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| watching out for kids when backing out of their driveways" | they can be seen in the dark. Thank you" |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. "Winter snow & ice buildup is very bad. Children are playing on mountains next to the street on the sidewalk on the side of River School that is usually cleared. 2. Kids don't always use crosswalk at school for Parkwood" | "We had fun walking to school. I was surprised at some of the careless unsupervised kids walking. There were no parents out on this special day" |
| "Children are being drop off that live outside the district" | "My mom needs a reflective too! Because she wears dark clothes". |
| "If schools can provide reflective material that would be great thank you" | "Soon it will be dark, almost all the time!" |
| "I have been active with my children's safety since day one, and wish there were more parents like me" | "My kids doesn't want to walk to school alone in the dark, we live on Glacierwood Drive" |
| "My child comes from 2 households in alternate weeks- one near Glacier Valley School" | "There is no flashing lights on the right part of DZ school road. A police sign for a station may help. Officers in vehicles area a large help in school zone, and at speed interceptor. Bullying at bus stops happens daily" |
| "Due to one of our children being sick we only walked to the bus stop with one child-there is no street light on Killewich-kids board bus at Sharon & Killewich" | "Forested area between James Place Apts. & Riverside should be cleared or thinned more" |
| "No lights at the bus stop on the corner of Killewich & Sharon St. This isn't a problem for late spring or early fall but the winter darkness makes me concerned about safety at this bus stop" | "I walk with my daughter to the Middle School and then work at the Riverbend crosswalk-many young drivers drive too fast and do things like peel out and take corners fast. Also, its not uncommon for people in cars to yell things at younger kids-which is scaring them." |
| "We are lucky to be on a greenbelt for walking and the stop is on a residential street". | "We like the alternate stop on Killawich rather than the corner of Killawich and Sharron, where there is more traffic". |
| "Wasn't able to walk with my child, to far, however I listed what my concerns are regarding my child's bus stop" | Wish there was a crosswalk at more than the one street, maybe one on Parkwood?" |
| "The bus stop is on the main road into the housing area. The bus then goes down Aspen. It would be safer for the kids to be on Aspen than on Mendenhall Blvd" | |

End of comments from Riverbend parents

Charter School



Parents completing checklists for the Walk Event:

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Children of the parents who completed checklists:

3

Greatest Concerns – those marking “Very” or “Extremely” Concerned

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| 1. Had to walk within <u>splash</u> area of traffic | 50.0% |
| 1. <u>Traffic too fast</u> , reckless | 50.0% |

Streets or Intersections – specific locations of concern for Charter School parents:

1. Intersection of 9th, Capitol Ave, A Street

Parental Comments on pedestrian issues and the Walk to School Event:

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| "The danger is that people are always driving too fast, thoughtlessly, or carelessly to notice little people, or to be concerned or aware of the "beginning pedestrian" | |
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